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## **Public Information Meeting Scheduled**

Harrisonburg, VA – The City of Harrisonburg is participating in a public information meeting hosted by the Harrisonburg-Rockingham Metropolitan Planning Organization (HRMPO).

The community is invited to attend and provide feedback at the meeting, which will be held on **Thursday, March 5 from 5:00 p.m.** until **7:00 p.m.** This event will be at the Lucy F. Simms Continuing Education Center, 620 Simms Avenue in Harrisonburg.

A need for interchange modifications was identified and the City of Harrisonburg, Rockingham County, James Madison University (JMU) and the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) have partnered to complete a study that evaluated the I-81 interchange at exits 245 (Port Republic Road) and 247 (East Market Street). The purposes of the proposed improvements are to address existing and future operational, safety, access, economic development, and system connectivity needs that have been identified within the study area.

Although both interchanges fall within the City limits, the interstate and these exits provide access to existing and developing commercial and residential areas of the City and Rockingham County as well as the JMU campus.

To review the complete study, visit <a href="www.hrvampo.org">www.hrvampo.org</a>, click on plans and projects, and then <a href="l-81 Exits 245 & 247">l-81 Exits 245 & 247</a> Interchange Alternatives Analysis Study.

Written comments will be accepted at the meeting or may be submitted to Kevin McDermott, HRMPO Transportation Program Manager, at 112 MacTanly Place Staunton, VA 24401 or <a href="mailto:Kevin@cspdc.org">Kevin@cspdc.org</a> by March 13 at 5:00 p.m.

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